

W. T. Covington Presents Bust Of Late John W. McLaughlin to County

Gift Made to Commissioners
Monday is Gladly Accepted
—Bust Will be Placed in
Court House.

A committee consisting of Dr. H. R. Cromartie, Paul Dickson, H. L. Gatlin and R. B. Lewis appeared before the Board of County Commissioners at their regular meeting on Monday morning, and presented for Mr. W. T. Covington, a bust of the late Mr. J. W. McLaughlin, to be placed in the hall of the first floor of the court house. The commissioners gladly accepted it, and expressed the opinion that citizens of the county would greatly appreciate Mr. Covington's gift, and would be glad to see it placed in the court house, the land for which was given by Mr. McLaughlin.

The committee appearing before the Board and Mr. J. S. Johnson were appointed as a committee to arrange for the placing of the bust in the court house, and also for a formal presentation and acceptance of it, the services to take place on or about December 25, 1931, at which date it is thought that most relatives of Mr. McLaughlin will be able to be present. It is likely that former Governor A. W. McLean, of Lumberton, will be the speaker.

Those who have seen the bust say that it is the best work ever done by Mr. Covington, who has established an enviable reputation for himself in this line, and that the bust is an excellent likeness of the man who led such an exemplary life in this community.

Work has already been started on a suitable niche for the bust, in the court house. It will be placed just to the left of the door of the office of the Register of Deeds.

Teachers' Meeting Is Very Successful

The first county-wide teachers' meeting was held on last Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. All teachers and principals were present and all seemed in excellent spirit. Mr. W. J. Coates, principal of the Mildouson school, was elected temporary chairman. Mr. J. F. Lowrance, principal of the Raeford school, was elected president, and Miss Carrie Sturgis, of the Raeford school, was elected vice-president. Mr. Coates was elected secretary-treasurer. It was voted to hold the annual teacher-treasure banquet again. The banquet has become an annual affair and if as good one can be arranged this year as was the one last year, a good time is in store for all who will attend. The trustees and other officials will receive invitations as soon as the date is settled upon by the committee. Mr. Lowrance has appointed Mr. Smoak, of the Antioch school, Mr. Fort, of the Ashmont school, Mr. George, of the Rockfish school, Miss Hudson of the Mildouson school, and Miss Waller, of the Raeford school as a program committee.

After the business session, Mr. Lowrance called on Superintendent Hawfield, who made a few remarks explaining some points of the new school legislation. He then gave what he considered the excellent teacher, as follows:

1. Loves children and is sympathetically interested in their affairs.
 2. Has a good-sportsman, non-critical attitude towards other teachers.
 3. Is discreet in social life, and shows regard and respect for the community standards of social life.
 4. Participates regularly and actively in the community affairs and religious activities.
 5. Maintains an intimate contact with the homes represented by the children of her room by personal visits and other contacts.
 6. Co-operates with the principal and county officials by making reports promptly and accurately.
 7. Plans and prepares all daily work thoroughly and comprehensively.
 8. Is alert and open minded to acquire and apply the latest and best methods of teaching.
 9. Stands most of the time while teaching—thus reaching every member of the group.
 10. Speaks in a pleasant, even tone of voice, and so as to interest all of the class.
 11. Is cheerful and optimistic, believing that everything will turn out right, and that things can be done.
- Mr. Hawfield expressed great appreciation.

FORTY-TWO PUPILS MAKE HONOR ROLL

25. Grade and 17 High School
Students Satisfy Requirements for First Month's Honor List.

Forty-two pupils, twenty-five in the grades and seventeen in the High School, made the necessary grades to gain position on the honor roll for the first school month. There will be just one honor roll this year, Prof. Lowrance says, instead of the two that were used last year. He adds that the requirements for making the honor roll are: (1) An average of not less than 90 on all studies, (2) Not less than 90 on deportment, and (3) No unexcused absences or tardies.

The honor roll for each grade follows:

- First Grade—Hugh McLaughlin
- Second Grade—Lois Alexander, Mildred Campbell, Mary Thomas Carswell
- Third Grade—Yvonne Baucum, Mary Lewis
- Fourth Grade—Kathleen Campbell, Tom McLaughlin, Douglas McNeill, Beth McDonald, Imogene Baucum, Lillian McKay
- Fifth Grade—Nancy Peele, Irvin Currie, Ben Campbell, Jimmy Greene, Annie Neal Campbell, Ellen Currie, Agnes Mae Johnson, Mary Shaw McDiarmid
- Sixth Grade—Ruth Warner, Flora Alice Peterson, Frances McFadyen
- Seventh Grade—Lena Blue McFadyen, David Scott Currie

The honor roll for the High School is as follows:

- Irma Jordan, Thelma Strothers, Ruby Hair, Reba Maxwell, Elaine McInnis Robert Weaver, Sam Morris, Cleonie Cook, Caroline Parker, Mary I. Ray, Ruth Scull, Doris Robertson, David Liles, Jack McDuffie, Marvin Saunders, Pauline Biggs, Thaddeus Koonce.

High School Organized.

At the chapel period last Friday morning, all pupils of the High School met to organize the student body and to elect the necessary officers to start the organization. Junius Riley was elected president; Henry McArthur, vice-president; Jennie Clark, secretary-treasurer; Elizabeth McBryde and Hudson Graham, cheer leaders. The organization will be completed soon, with the election of officers for the home rooms and for members of the student body.

RAEFORD HIGH TEAM DEFEATS CARTHAGE

Season's Fourth Game Results
in 13-0 Victory for Locals
—Padgett's Team Making
Good Showing.

Raeford High School football team scored its third victory of the season here last Friday afternoon with a clean defeat of Carthage High by the score of 13-0. Raeford's scores came in the early part of the first quarter and in the middle of the last.

The entire game was characterized by the good ball played by the local team, with Blue, Epstein, Womble, Currie and Norton doing some very good work. There were practically no gains through the Raeford line, and Carthage's only threat came in the second quarter when they advanced the ball to Raeford's 20-yard line. Several other advances started by Carthage were checked in mid-field.

For Carthage, Cole at quarterback, played a good game, and Captain Ginsbury played one of the best games at end, seen here in recent years.

There is no doubt about the locals having redeemed themselves from their defeat at the hands of Red Springs team the week before. Greater strength was shown and much better playing was exhibited. The line functioned unusually well.

Coach Padgett's outfit has a good record for its season, so far, having won three and lost one. The local team plays Aberdeen this week.



Fiftieth Anniversary Red Cross Roll Call Begins Wednesday, November 11

This Year the Red Cross Needs Your Support More Than Ever—Dr. R. L. Murray is Roll Call Chairman in Hoke County.

The fiftieth anniversary Red Cross Roll Call occurs November 11 to 26, and this year, the call to Red Cross membership is more than ever an appeal to patriotism. This great agency with its far flung chapters has served the Nation well in ministering to human needs. It relieves distress and this year the need for relieving distress is acute, perhaps more so than in all its organization's many years of service.

Dr. R. L. Murray is chairman of the Roll Call in Hoke County, and he asks that everyone join the Red Cross and become a part of this great body that exists for the alleviation of humanity in distress. Assisting Dr. Murray are the following workers:

- Misses Sarah Cromartie, Winnie McNeill, Mattie Wilson, Louise Blue, Kathleen Dew, Margaret Walters and Loyd Tapp, in Raeford, and in the school, Miss Xymena Smith.
- At Dundarrach, Mrs. Jesse Gibson will be in charge of the Roll Call; at Sanatorium, Mrs. P. P. McCain; at Atnoich, Mr. R. A. Smcak, principal of the Antioch School.

Maggie Hester will be in charge of the Roll Call among the clover people of the county.

The drive begins on Wednesday, November 11, and lasts until Thanksgiving. Everyone is asked to see one of the Roll Call workers and join. This year the Red Cross needs your support more than ever.

RAT POISONING CAMPAIGN IN HOKE COUNTY NOVEMBER 9 AND 10

Small grain and corn, while held in storage, are subject to damage by rats. The principal damage may be by cutting the bags in which the grain is stored, thus necessitating re-sacking. It has been estimated that 5 per cent of corn put into storage is destroyed by rats. Rat insurance for grain and feed is as practical as fire or storm insurance for house and barns, and the farmer can write his own policy. He can do this by making it a practice to "Build the Rats Out," and then "Starve Them Out." The premium or cost of such insurance is that of rat-proofing corn cribs and granaries.

One important phase is cleaning up rubbish that may serve as harbors for the pest. Keep a cleaned up instead of cluttered up barn yard, and then a good terrier dog to terrify any stray rats that may come about.

For any good activity there is a right time to begin, and that is Right Now! Where there are rat infested premises in Hoke County, the right beginning will be to join in the rat poisoning campaign being sponsored by County Agent W. D. Burton on November 9-10. Join in with your neighbors to kill off what rats there are, then take the necessary precautions against re-infestation by rat-proofing and cleaning up all harboring places. The poison to be used in the campaign is red squill, and will be mixed under the supervision of Mr. A. E. Oman, Specialist of the U. S. Biological Survey. Give the rats one red squill feed instead of feeding them all winter.

Powdered red squill is the poison ingredient that will be used in the Hoke County rat killing campaign. Red squill is an emetic, and is relatively harmless to human beings, domestic animals, and poultry, but is deadly to rats, thus making possible a safe rat poisoning campaign. Red squill is prepared by drying and grinding a fleshy bulb obtained from the Mediterranean region. It was recently developed as a rat poison by the United States Biological Survey.

OLD CLOTHES WANTED

Perhaps there has never been a time in the history of Hoke County and the town of Raeford, when there was a greater need for old clothing. Surely you have some discarded garment that you could donate to this worthy cause.

Would you keep old clothing stored in your closets and let some child go cold this winter?

We can use any garment you may give, old shoes, scraps for piecing quilts, hats, sweaters, in any sizes for children or grown ups.

Saturday morning, November 7th, at 9 o'clock, the Boy Scouts will call for your bundle, please have it ready, on your porch.

We keep a list of each garment given away, and to whom it is given, so there is no duplication.

Please keep this in mind, some one needs your help.
MRS. H. A. CAMERON,
Chairman Welfare Board of the Woman's Club.

Bold Burglaries Are Committed In Three Raeford Homes Tuesday Night

N. C. POPULATION IS LARGELY RURAL

State Remains One of America's Most Rural—Is Exceeded Only by Pennsylvania and Texas.

North Carolina is dominantly and predominantly rural. She always has been one of America's most rural in the aggregate, and rural on a ratio basis.

Only two states, Pennsylvania and Texas, have more rural people than North Carolina.

Only one state, Texas, has more farm dwellers than North Carolina. Only six states have higher rural population ratios.

Urban, as used by the Census Bureau, refers to incorporated places with 2,500 inhabitants or more. Rural refers to all others. Rural-farm refers to all people who live on farms. Rural-nonfarm refers to those who live in incorporated or unincorporated places below 2,500 inhabitants, and all others except farm dwellers.

North Carolina in 1930 had 3,170,276 inhabitants. The urban dwellers numbered 809,847, or 25.5 percent. Rural dwellers numbered 2,360,429, distributed as follows: rural-farm dwellers 1,597,220; rural non-farm dwellers 763,209. Also there were 2,698 people living on farms inside incorporated places, classed as urban dwellers.

New Hanover and Caswell.

New Hanover county has the smallest farm population ratio in the state with 3.8 percent farm dwellers. At the other extreme is Caswell with nearly ninety-two out of every hundred living on farms.

Durham county, however, is slightly more urban, than New Hanover which has a larger rural-nonfarm ratio.

Dare is interesting in that nearly ninety-five percent of her people are rural-nonfarm dwellers, living mainly off the water resources of the county.

Durham, on the other hand, has only eight percent rural-nonfarm dwellers. The rural-nonfarm ratio varies widely among the counties of the state.

In fact it is surprising the number of people who live neither on the farm nor in census-size places. Almost exactly one-fourth of the state's inhabitants live outside incorporated places of twenty-five hundred inhabitants or more but not on farms.

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APPROVE INSURANCE FOR TOWN FIREMEN

Blanket Insurance Policy to
Furnish Protection For Mem-
bers of Fire Company While
on Duty.

At their regular meeting on Monday evening, the mayor and aldermen of the town approved the town's furnishing a blanket insurance policy on members of the fire company, covering accidentally injury or death, while on duty.

The town's decision must be approved by the State Local Government Commission, before the insurance is bought.

The firemen of the town should have some protection. As it is now the only remuneration they get is \$1 for each fire, and this does not go to individual members of the company, but to the company's fund, and this fund is often used to purchase new equipment besides the sending of delegates to the State Firemen's Convention each year. If the policy proposed is bought, the cost will be low, only \$125 for the entire company whose membership is 25. The benefits of the proposed policy are \$15 each week in case of injury, not to exceed 104 weeks, and \$3,000 in case of accidental death, while on duty.

The policy will afford a protection hitherto not had by members of the fire company, in discharge of their hazardous duties. The town officials are to be complimented for taking this step toward protection of its firemen, who are efficient and on the job.

The fire company is composed of 25 members; Mr. R. B. Lewis is captain.

Homes of Ryan McBryde, W. E. Blue and Colin Shaw Entered — Burglar After Money Only—No Clues.

At least three homes in Raeford were entered by a burglar Tuesday night. Homes of Mr. Colin Shaw on the Edinboro road, W. E. Blue and Ryan McBryde were gone into very easily and money taken from each from trouser pockets of persons in bed only a few feet from the path of the robber.

The first home entered was apparently that of Mr. Shaw, where the burglar gained entrance through an unlocked door. Going into Mr. Shaw's room where he was sleeping, the burglar found his trousers and took them to the porch where he searched them, taking what money he found. Mr. Shaw knew nothing about the burglary until next morning when he had to make quite a search for his trousers while dressing.

Next the burglar visited the home of Mr. W. E. Blue, where he again made an easy entrance through an unlocked door. Miss Louise Blue thought she heard a noise similar to someone opening a screen, about two o'clock, but heard nothing else. Miss Blue was hostess at a party until 12 o'clock and the robbery was made after that time. At Mr. Blue's the burglar had to go to a position less than two feet from Mr. Blue's head as he slept, to get his trousers. After getting Mr. Blue's trousers the thief did as he did before, taking them to the porch and removing the contents, getting around \$5 in cash and Mr. Blue's watch worth about \$50. He evidently was after money only, as he left papers and threw a bunch of keys on the steps. He did not even take cigarettes that were accessible.

At Mr. McBryde's the burglar cut a small hole from a window screen, unlatched it, raised the window and entered without waking anyone. Here, too, he looked for trousers. Mr. McBryde had left his bath robe lying over his trousers but the thief had no difficulty in locating them apparently. It was here that he made his biggest haul, getting away with about \$65 in cash. He left from a door which he unfastened from the inside.

The burglaries were evidently committed by an experienced person, who no doubt went around to each home beforehand and watched the occupants prepare for bed so he would know just how to go about doing his work. As an example of his nonchalance, the burglar at Mr. McBryde's home, found a truck and trailer in the yard loaded with peanuts, and he stopped and ate peanuts for quite a while, as evidenced by the quantity of hulls on the ground, and along the path he took as he left.

Tracks left were very distinct at each house, and showed that the robber wore sport shoes or tennis shoes. The tracks led up to Mrs. Roberta Peele's home, just opposite the Blue home which was entered. He evidently went upon the porch, but did not enter the house.

Officers tracked the burglars to a hill near the home of Mr. Paul Dickson, and there lost the trail. They are still working on the case.

This is the first instance of burglaries in Raeford homes in some time. Officers expressed the opinion that Raeford will more than likely be visited oftener by people of this type during the coming months, and that the people should be very careful in locking their doors, and taking precautions heretofore considered unnecessary.

BUD BARRETT CAUGHT

Bud Barrett, colored, who was sent to the roads for assault with a deadly weapon, and escaped sometime last year, was caught Tuesday night by Cumberland County officers. Barrett had been hanging around the lower part of the county for some time, and Deputy Barrington almost succeeded in capturing him last week. On Tuesday afternoon Barrett went to the home of a friend and got drunk. He left this home and went to another home in the edge of Cumberland County, and lay down, without finding anyone at home. When the resident of the home came in he found Barrett, but was unable to get him away, and called Cumberland officers who made the arrest, and later turned him over to Hoke officials for the completion of his road term. He still had eight months' time to serve.